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SUBJECT: AGENDA FOR UNESCO 94TH EXECUTIVE BOARD SESSION

(MAY 20 - JUNE 28, 1974): REVIEW AND

RECOMMENDATIONS

SUMMARY. THIS MESSAGE IS INTENDED TO ASSIST DEPT. IN DRAFTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBJECT MTG. ONLY PROBLEMS THAT LIKELY CONFRONT USG AND ADVANCE PREPARATIONS THAT WILL BE REQUIRED ARE HIGHLIGHTED. REFERENCES ARE MADE TO AGENDA ITEMS AS THEY APPEAR ON PROV. AGENDA (DOC. 94 EX/1), AIRPOUCHED TO IO/UNESCO. END OF SUMMARY.

1. ITEM 1.1. REPLACEMENT OF DECEASED BOARD MEMBER, NERUDA OF CHILE, SCHEDULED FOR MORNING MAY 20. USSR CAN BE EXPECTED RAISE OBJECTIONS BASED ON POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS, AGAINST PROPOSED CANDIDATE (PROF. WILLIAM THAYER ARTEAGA). HOWEVER NO VALID LEGAL OR PROCEDURAL ARGUMENTS CAN BE INVOKED AGAINST SEATING ARTEAGA (SEE ART. V, PARAS. 2 AND 4 OF CONSTITUTION). MOREOVER, 5 LA'S BOARD MEMBERS LIKELY TO SEEK APPROVAL SINCE THEY WOULD NOT WANT HAVE ONE LA SEAT EMPTY. DEPT'S GUIDANCE REQUESTED.

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2. ITEMS 3.1 TO 3.5.1. DEPUTY PERMREP WHO ATTENDED SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING PREPARED TO HANDLE THESE ITEMS. WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF ITEM 3.3 ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE THEREFORE NOT NECESSARY.

3. ITEM 3.5.2. WHAT HAS BEEN RECENT U.S. POSITION WITH REGARD TO THE JOINT INSPECTION UNIT?

4. ITEM 4.1.1. FOUR PLENARY SESSIONS ARE SCHEDULED TO DISCUSS DG'S REPORT, BEGINNING AFTERNOON MAY 20. THIS ITEM IS IMPORTANT FOR TWO REASONS: IT PROVIDES UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO: (A) TAKE CLOSE LOOK AT ORGANIZATION'S PERFORMANCE DURING LAST 12 MONTHS, AND (B) DIAGNOSE ITS CAPACITY TO DO EFFECTIVE JOB IN FUTURE. WHAT HAS BEEN THE RATE OF PROGRAM EXECUTION? WHAT IMPACT HAVE UNESCO'S OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES ADVANCED IN 1973? WHAT PROGRAM ACTIVITIES HAD FAILED TO PRODUCE EXPECTED RESULTS? WHAT WERE THE DIFFICULTIES EN-

COUNTERED IN EXECUTION OF REGULAR PROGRAM AND OF PROJECTS FINANCED BY UNDP AND FUNDS-IN-TRUST? IS THE ADMINISTRATIVE MACHINERY CAPABLE TO UNDERTAKE ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES RESULTING FROM EXPECTED BUDGET INCREASE? THESE AND SIMILAR QUESTIONS BECOME PARTICULARLY RELEVANT IN CONNECTION WITH EXAMINATION OF DRAFT PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR 1975-76 (ITEM 5). U.S. WILL UNDOUBTEDLY WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN DEBATE. DEPT'S POSITION AND COMMENTS ARE INVITED.

5. ITEM 4.1.3. SPECIAL COMMITTEE'S REPORT WILL CONTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS (ORIGINATED BY UK) THAT IN ADDITION TO HIS PRINTED REPORT ON BI-ANNUAL BASIS AS OF JAN. 1975, DG SHOULD ALSO SUBMIT EVERY SIX MONTHS BRIEF (10-15 PAGES) REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF ORGANIZATION. THIS IS DESIGNED TO KEEP EXBD UP TO DATE AND THUS TO STRENGTHEN ITS EXECUTIVE CAPABILITY. ITEM SCHEDULED FOR PLENARY ON JUNE 20. DEPT'S COMMENTS WELCOMED.

6. ITEM 4.2.2. DEPT'S GUIDANCE REQUESTED AS TO WHETHER OR NOT SUBJECT MATTER, SCHEDULED FOR PX COMMISSION ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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JUNE 7, SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN AGENDA OF 18 GENCONF.

7. ITEM 4.3.1. THIS IMPORTANT ITEM WILL BE DISCUSSED BY PX COMMISSION ON JUNE 7. POSITIONS EXPRESSED BY US MEMBER OF IOC EXCOUNCIL AND DEPT'S GUIDANCE ON SUBJECT MATTER REQUESTED.

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8. ITEM 4.4.1. DG'S REPORT ON ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS IN JERUSALEM AND ON HIS EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH SOME UNESCO PRESENCE THERE LIKELY TO LEAD TO POLITICAL DEBATE. ITEM SCHEDULED FOR PLENARY ON JUNE 4. DEPT'S GUIDANCE REQUESTED.

9. ITEM 4.4.2. SUBJECT OF CREATION OF INT'L FUND FOR CULTURE WAS DISCUSSED BETWEEN WASHINGTON AGENCIES AND DR. DAIFUKU OF UNESCO DURING LATTER'S RECENT VISIT TO CAPITOL. DEPT'S GUIDANCE RE POSITION TO TAKE ON DG'S REPORT ON SUBJECT FUND, SCHEDULED FOR FA COMMISSION MEETING JUNE 4 REQUIRED.

10. ITEMS 4.4.3. TO 4.4.3.3. QUESTION OF POSSIBLE INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS IN THESE THREE AREAS WILL FIRST BE ANALYZED BY PX COMMITTEE ON JUNE 7. HOWEVER, THESE ITEMS ARE THE ONLY ONES SELECTED FOR DISCUSSION AT VARNA PORTION OF EXBD SESSION. UNESCO SECRETARIAT EXPECTS MANY SPEECHES ON SUBJECT MATTER AT VARNA, WITH PRESS AND TV COVERAGE. WE CONSIDER IT IMPORTANT FOR US DEL TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE CONSTRUCTIVELY IN VARNA DISCUSSION. DEPT'S GUIDANCE AND TEXT OF POSSIBLE PRESS

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RELEASE -- WHICH, INTER ALIA, SHOULD MENTION FACT
THAT US WAS THE FIRST MEMBER STATE TO DEPOSIT INSTRUME-
NT OF RATIFICATION OF WHT CONVENTION -- REQUESTED.

11. ITEM 4.4.4. US PRESENCE AT AFRICAN CONFERENCE ON
CULTURAL POLICIES IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. DEL PRE-
PARED MAKE POSITIVE SUGGESTIONS RE US REPRESENTATION.

12. ITEMS 5.1 AND 5.2. THESE ARE THE TWO MOST IM-
PORTANT SUBSTANTIVE ITEMS ON THIS BOARD AGENDA. 14
SESSION OF PX COMMISSION (BEGINNING AFTERNOON MAY 24)
AND 7 SESSIONS OF FA COMMISSION (MAY 29 TO JUNE 1)
ASSIGNED FOR DISCUSSION OF DOCUMENT 18 C/5. DOCUMENT
ON MEDIUM-TERM OBJECTIVES (18 C/4) WILL ONLY BE DIS-
CUSSED IN PLENARY ON JUNE 17 - 18. DETAILED DEPT'S
GUIDANCE, INCL. TALKING POINTS AND DR'S, IF ANY, RE-
QUESTED. (NOTE: DUE TO EXTREMELY HEAVY LOAD IN CON-
NECTION WITH VARIOUS MEETINGS, THIS DEL'S ANALYSIS OF
18 C/5 HAS BEEN DELAYED. DOCUMENT 18 C/4 NOT YET
AVAILABLE. EXPECTED AVAILABILITY DATE MAY 1.

13. ITEM 6.1., PREPARATION OF PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF
18 GENCONF., WILL BE DISCUSSED IN PLENARY ON JUNE 20.
DEPT'S ATTENTION IS CALLED TO NEED OF TIMELY SUBMISSION
OF OUR DR'S, ESPECIALLY RE NEW US ASSESSMENT RATE
(25) AND OUR JOINING OF EUROPEAN REGION. IN THIS
CONNECTION SEE RULE 78 A.1 AND B.1 OF RULES OF PRO-
CEDURE OF GENCONF. AND 17 GENCONF. RES. 35.1(E) AND (F)
GOVERNING SUBMISSION OF DR'S.

14. ITEM 6.2. CREDENTIALS ISSUE RAISED BY HAGIWARA,
17 GENCONF PRESIDENT, AND DATE OF ELECTION AND INSTAL-
LATION OF NEW DG ARE MOST IMPORTANT IN CONNECTION THIS
ITEM WHICH SCHEDULED FOR PLENARY ON JUNE 20. SINCE
MAHEU'S CONTRACT EXPIRES NOV. 14, 1974, WE BELIEVE
ELECTION OF NEW DG SHOULD TAKE PLACE SAME DATE AND IN-
STALLATION ON NOV. 15. AS RECOGNITION FOR MAHEU'S LONG
AND DEVOTED SERVICE TO UNESCO WE RECOMMEND INTRO-
DUCTION AT 18 GENCONF OF RESOLUTION BESTOWING UPON HIM
HONORARY TITLE OF "DIRECTOR GENERAL EMERITUS OF
UNESCO."

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15. ITEM 6.3. DEPT'S GUIDANCE REQUESTED RE INVITATION OF AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS TO ATTEND 18 GENCONF SCHEDULED FOR PLENARY JUNE 20.

16. ITEM 7.2. VIEWSON PROBLEM THE UNDP HAS WITH THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES IN GENERAL AND WITH UNESCO IN PARTICULAR WOULD BE OF INTEREST. ALSO, INFORMATION ON MAJOR U.S. POSITIONS FOR 17TH SESSION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF UNDP WOULD BE OF INTEREST.

17. ITEM 7.3. ACCORDING TO SECRETARIAT SOURCES, THERE WILL BE 2 PAGE REPORT, WITH NO CONTROVERSIAL CONTENT, RE PREPARATION BY A LONDON-BASED FOUNDATION CONTRACTED BY UNESCO, OF AN EDUCATIONAL KIT ON APARTHEID IN

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SOUTHERN AFRICA. NO PROBLEM ANTICIPATED.

18. ITEM 7.8. DEPT'S COMMENTS INVITED ON QUESTION OF INTERNATIONAL YEARS WHICH LATELY PROLIFERATE WITHIN UN SYSTEM.

19. ITEM 8.2. USE OF CHINESE AS WORKING LANGUAGE OF

GENCONF AND EXBD IS SCHEDULED FOR FA COMMISSION ON MAY 30 AND 31, TOGETHER WITH ITEM 8.10 - USE OF ARABIC. DEPT'S GUIDANCE REQUESTED.

20. ITEM 8.7. AT 92 EXBD US TABLED AMENDMENT TO RULE 54 OF RULES OF PROCEDURE OF EXBD DOING AWAY WITH CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT. WE RECOMMEND NOT TO PURSUE THIS ISSUE FURTHER IN ANTICIPATION THAT SUCH CONSULTATIONS WITH NEW DG MIGHT PROVE TO BE MORE MEANINGFUL.

21. ITEM 9.1. ON JUNE 21 DG WILL PRESENT TO BOARD HIS REPORT, BASED ON VISITATION TO CHILE OF HIS REPRESENTATIVE (JIMENEZ). ALSO THERE WILL BE BEFORE BOARD REPORT OF ITS COMMITTEE ON CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN EDUCATION WHICH MET EARLY THIS MONTH. US DEL WILL SEND SEPARATE CABLE ON HIS ITEM WHEN DOCUMENTS BECOME LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AVAILABLE AND WILL ASK INSTRUCTIONS.

22. ITEMS 9.2 AND 9.3 SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 25. DEPT'S GUIDANCE REQUESTED RE GUINEA-BISSAU AND SAN MARINO APPLICATIONS FOR UNESCO MEMBERSHIP.

23. ITEM 9.4. QUESTION OF CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES HAS ITS ORIGIN IN UN. DEPT'S GUIDANCE RE THIS MEXICAN INITIATIVE AT UNESCO, DESIGNED TO DEFINE ORGANIZATION'S ROLE IN SUBJECT MATTER REQUESTED. IT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL TO HAVE US POSITIONS IN THE OAS, ESPECIALLY WITH REGARD TO THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY MATTER. ITEM SCHEDULED FOR PLENARY ON JUNE 25.

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